

Evening Public Ledger

THE EVENING TELEGRAPH PUBLIC LEDGER COMPANY... EDITORIAL BOARD: DAVID E. SMILEY... JOHN C. MARTIN...

THE STAGE IS SET

Actors and Properties in the Stupendous War Drama at Last Determined... FOUR years ago this week Zeppelin airships made their war debut in an attack on Antwerp.

The scenario has often been rewritten. Kitchener planned it in three acts, each of a year's duration. A favorite American revision apportions it in five after the high classical manner.

Prophecy has been discredited in all wars, and even though the purposes of Foch grow plainer with each new round of victories, it is futile specifically to forecast events more than a few days ahead.

The submarine, on which Germany based her hopes of sea power, while still pestiferous, has been so reduced in aggressive vitality that its operations are no longer a determining factor in the great events.

On the personal side the line-up of winners and losers is assuming completion. A host of captains and kings have departed. Kitchener, Franz Josef, Von Bissing, Von Der Goltz, Mohammed V, Earl Roberts and Gallieni are dead.

Four years ago, save only for Wilson, Lloyd George, Clemenceau, King Albert and the Hohenzollern family, scarcely a name now prominent in either battle, statecraft or administration, was known to the general public.

General Byng is proving that his name is onomatopoeic. SCHOOL TEACHERS IN THE DRAFT... THE draft-board ruling which holds that teachers of drafting age must engage in "some essential occupation" or fight is an error from excess of zeal.

used at the present time. An essential occupation is one directly connected with the production of material needed in the war. If the rule laid down by the draft boards were followed generally it would take men from every industry not directly connected with war work.

"German tobacco exhausted," says a headline, and my Lady Nicotine at last reduces in a clear conscience. RUBBER HEELS... A NEW book of poems by Rudyard Kipling is coming out shortly.

Some Have All the Luck... Senator Knute Nelson, of Minnesota, speaking: "I want to say first of all that I have had no trouble about this war from the very beginning." How the Senate Saves Paper What He Said What He Meant

Speaking of quaint names of French villages, L. T. P. informs us that just west of Chateau-Thierry is a hamlet called "Ecoute s'il pleut," which means "Listen whether it's raining."

THE truth is that in the run of things today a man can earn good wages, but only by hard and solid work. THE Senate has passed an amendment to the new draft bill recommending that young men conscripted in the next draft may finish their college education after the war at the Government's expense.

A Magazine We Cannot Live Up To... Farmington, Mich., has leaped into the literary limelight by issuing a magazine which calls itself "Love, Courtship and Marriage, a Periodical of Propriety for People of Refinement."

While we wait for fliers it is at least some satisfaction to know that Mangin's right wing is very much on the job. THE possibilities of the forthcoming over-season loom unusually large.

Adventures at Eddystone

By ROY HELTON... A LONG toward 12 o'clock there is a general movement in the direction of the washing trough. We have our hot arms in a great common basin and dry our hands on the sides of our pants.

AT LAST the quitting bell rings and we disperse to our places of reflection. Some go outside for refreshment of a liquid character, for pool and social intercourse.

I FIND myself surrounded by bright beves of ladies. The air is thick with talk. A few bits still cling to my ears and I set them down as they come.

ACHERY gets us all talking much louder than needed, and private lives are laid bare on every hand. During the luncheon loaf other and more complete confidences came to me from time to time from a variety of people.

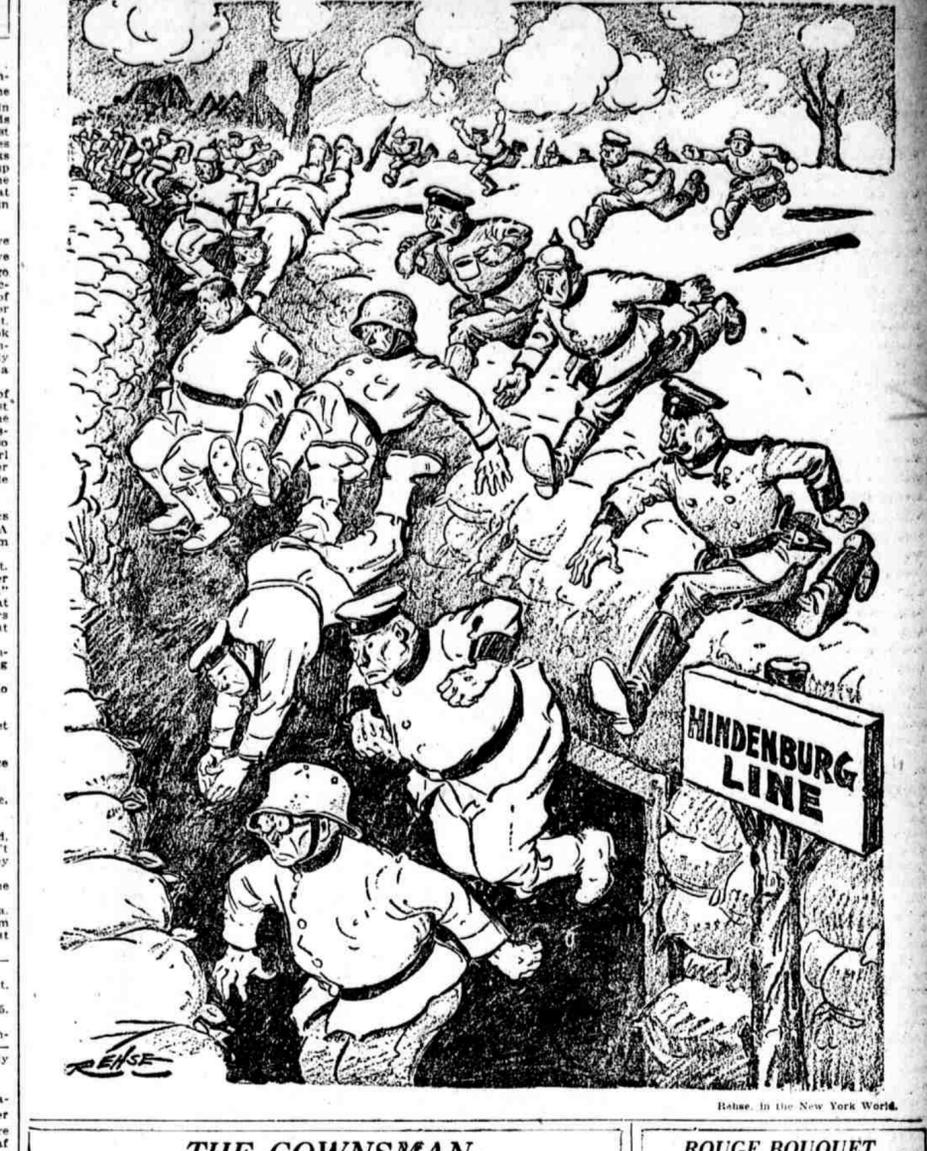
A CERTAIN small percentage of the men is amazed at how hard one has to work to earn \$5 a day. Another equally small class of physical titans can be heard saying as I've got the Dutchman doing, "This—blimey soft job. They just give ya money here."

THE GOWNSMAN... LET me write the songs of a nation, and I care not who makes that nation's laws. This spoke some old diplomat after a long career of "lying abroad to serve his sovereign."

THE GOWNSMAN has been much taken with the little volume of French soldiers' poetry which has recently come his way. It is entitled "Chansons de Route" ("Songs of the March").

THE Japanese themselves seem to have solved the question as to whether or not they shall have a big army in Siberia.

OLD HOME WEEK



THE GOWNSMAN

LET me write the songs of a nation, and I care not who makes that nation's laws. This spoke some old diplomat after a long career of "lying abroad to serve his sovereign."

THE GOWNSMAN has been much taken with the little volume of French soldiers' poetry which has recently come his way. It is entitled "Chansons de Route" ("Songs of the March").

THE Japanese themselves seem to have solved the question as to whether or not they shall have a big army in Siberia.

ROUGE BOUQUET

IN a wood they call the Rouge Bouquet there is a new-made grave today. Built by never a spade nor pick.

THE GOWNSMAN has been much taken with the little volume of French soldiers' poetry which has recently come his way. It is entitled "Chansons de Route" ("Songs of the March").

THE Japanese themselves seem to have solved the question as to whether or not they shall have a big army in Siberia.

What Do You Know?

QUIZ... 1. What American Cardinal is now critically ill? 2. What are the "boasus," to which reference is often made in war dispatches?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz... 1. Georges Clemenceau, the Prime Minister of France, is known as "The Tiger."

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz... 1. Georges Clemenceau, the Prime Minister of France, is known as "The Tiger."